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TO: Informatics RFP Bidders

FROM: Richard Onizuka, Director  
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RE: **Washington State Health Informatics and Electronic Medical  
Records Request for Proposals (RFP)**

The Health Care Authority (HCA) is pleased to announce a Request for Proposal for the Washington State Health Informatics and Electronic Medical Records initiative mandated by the Legislature in [Substitute Senate Bill \(SSB\) 5064](#).

The successful bidder will assist the HCA in implementing SSB 5064. This legislation requires the development of a strategy for the adoption and use of electronic medical records and health information technologies that are consistent with emerging national standards and promote interoperability of health information systems. The strategy must conform to other specific directions as delineated in the legislation.

In addition, the HCA Administrator will appoint a Washington health information infrastructure advisory board and a broad stakeholder group that will assist the HCA in developing the strategy. The successful bidder will also assist in facilitating, leading, and directing these groups.

Letters of intent must be received no later than 4:00 PM Pacific Daylight Saving Time on June 21, 2005.

We look forward to your proposals. Questions may be directed to the RFP contact listed in the RFP.